

# SANTA BARBARA AIRPORT

## Newsletter 2014

### *Hazel Johns Appointed Airport Director*

Hazel Johns was appointed Airport Director in 2014, after serving as the Assistant Airport Director since 1987. "I look forward to the future and the opportunity to work with a passionate group of individuals who strive every day to do their very best for our passengers and our community."



Hazel Johns

### *Earle Ovington Terminal For Rent*

The Santa Barbara Airport's Earle Ovington Terminal, is now available for rent. Originally built in 1942 by United Airlines, it was named after local resident Earle Ovington who flew the first airmail flight on September 23, 1911. In 2012, the terminal was moved 180 feet to the south of its original footprint and restored as part of the Airline Terminal Project. The indoor/outdoor reception area has capacity for 100-150 guests and is adjacent to the John T. Rickard Airline Terminal.



### *Properties for Lease*

#### **Office**

- 800 square feet office space
- 380 square feet aviation office space
- 3995 square feet office/R&D space
- 3042 square feet office/R&D space

#### **Aviation Storage**

- T Hangar end unit D 513 square feet

#### **Storage Lots**

- 27,456 square feet of unpaved land

For information please call Rebecca Fribley, Sr. Property Management Spec. at 805.692.6022 or [RFribley@SantaBarbaraCA.gov](mailto:RFribley@SantaBarbaraCA.gov).

### *We Heard You & Made Some Changes!*

The Airport is always searching for new ways to improve our passenger and tenant experiences. Whether it's a suggestion via our website, FlySBA.com or a direct call to our Administration team, we do listen to your concerns and when the budget permits, we implement those changes!



Since the opening of the new airline terminal in 2011 we have had numerous inquiries about having a restaurant downstairs (pre-security) so that friends and family can enjoy a bite to eat and a beverage before they say goodbye. November 17th marked the opening of La Mission, operated by First Class Concessions, a bistro that will serve breakfast, lunch and dinner along with wine and beer.

Thanks to our Ambassadors and Santa Barbara Chamber volunteers, we now have a new charging station at baggage claim that will allow passengers waiting for luggage to recharge their devices. We can't say enough about our volunteers as they are the eyes and ears of the Airport and give great advice on how to improve passenger experiences.

### *Flash Mob at SBA*



We surprised our passengers on December 3rd with a flash mob in the Rickard Terminal. Look for it on You Tube!

## *Stormwater*

Did you know that besides motor oil, trash and soaps, even dirt and yard wastes degrade water quality when carried with storm-water to our creeks? Do what you can to prevent spills, and clean-up your act, before the rainy season.

Here are some tips on how you can help:

Cover material storage areas using tarp, lid or a roof  
Create a berm around the storage areas to prevent the material from being carried to a storm drain during rain events.

Monitor the condition of containers – look for leaks and deterioration

Use absorbent to soak up spilled liquids

Sweep up solids and dispose in trash (unless hazardous)

No hosing down hard surfaces - It's not only a way to prevent stormwater pollution...it saves water and is prohibited due to drought.

## *Solar*

The Airport is entering into a partnership that will result in up to 80% of the Airline Terminal's electrical demand being powered by the sun. Under a Power Purchase Agreement, a third party will construct, own and operate a solar generating system, and sell all power produced to the Airport at a predetermined price.

Solar panels will be installed on canopies over parking spaces in the center of the Airport's Long Term Parking Lot and will supply power directly to the Terminal. Over the 20 year life of the project, the cost of renewable, solar energy is expected to be significantly less than energy purchased from SCE.



Goleta Slough

## *Goleta Slough Management*

The Santa Barbara Airport is a proud steward of the Goleta Slough State Ecological Reserve. The Goleta Slough is a 480-acre coastal wetland comprising the southern portion of the Santa Barbara Airport. It is fed by a 48 square-mile watershed that runs from Camino Cielo to the sea between Highway 154 and Glen Annie Road. The Goleta Slough is feeding grounds for over 180 bird species, including the State-listed loggerhead shrike and Belding's savannah sparrow. The Airport is undertaking three major projects to ensure the continued balance of ecology and aviation safety.

**Goleta Slough Sea Level Rise Study.** In partnership with the Goleta Slough Management Committee and several of its member organizations, the Airport is leading a study of both ecological and infrastructure risks posed by global climate change. The purpose of this study is to create a plan for adapting to sea level rise that will be used by many stakeholders including Goleta, UC Santa Barbara, and adjacent property owners.

**Wildlife Hazard Assessment.** Under a \$131,000 grant from the Federal Aviation Administration, the Airport is conducting a one-year study of wildlife behavior in and around the Airport to identify potential aviation conflicts and devise mitigation strategies to avoid or minimize them.

**Goleta Slough Mouth Management.** The Goleta Slough mouth is the connection of the Goleta Slough to the Pacific Ocean east of Goleta Beach County Park. The Slough mouth closes periodically when creek flows are low. When the Slough is closed off from the Ocean, the tidal wetlands become standing freshwater ponds which attract large numbers of ducks, geese, and mosquitoes and puts the Airport at risk of flooding. The Airport is taking the lead in developing a new strategy for managing the Slough mouth to address flooding, aviation safety, and endangered species preservation.

Each of these projects strives to meet the ecological needs of our region while ensuring the safety of airport users and neighbors. If you have questions about any of these projects, please contact Andrew Bermond, Airport Planner: [ABermond@SantaBarbaraCA.gov](mailto:ABermond@SantaBarbaraCA.gov) or 805.692.6032.



## Save Water

Water used by Airport tenants, visitors and employees is provided by Goleta Water District. On September 9, 2014, the District Board of Directors declared a Stage II Water Shortage Emergency. As a result of the emergency conditions, the District set a 25% water usage reduction goal to help extend available water supplies. To conserve precious water resources and achieve the 25% reduction goal, the District implemented the following restrictions on water use.

Hoses used for any purpose must be equipped with a shut-off nozzle.

Direct application of water to sidewalks, pavement, open ground or other hard surfaced area is prohibited. Washing buildings, dwellings or other structures is generally prohibited.

Vehicles and other personal property may not be washed at the Airport. Use commercial car washes that recycle wash water.

Airport wash racks for aircraft and equipment are equipped with a shut-off nozzle.

Use of water in outdoor fountains, reflection ponds, and decorative water features is prohibited.

Outdoor landscape irrigation is limited to no more than two times per week during early morning or late evening hours, as follows:

- \*Manual watering allowed between 4:00 pm and 10:00 am no more than two times per week
- \*Commercial and institutional properties may water using fixed (i.e. installed) sprinkler systems Tuesdays and Fridays before 7:00am or after 7:00 pm

Restaurants and other food establishments may not serve water unless specifically requested by the patron.

## Security Updates

The Airport Patrol has seen a dramatic decrease in the number of Airport security violations. In the first quarter of this fiscal year (July, August and September) the Airport Patrol issued 4 Notices of Violation (NOV) for security violations as compared to 13 NOVs during the same period last year. The Airport would like to thank its tenants for their efforts in helping achieve this reduction in security violations.



John T. Rickard and the Earle Ovington Historic Terminal

## Upcoming Airport Projects

Airport Master Plan

Goleta Slough Sea Level Rise Study

Goleta Slough Mouth Study

Wildlife Hazard Management Plan Update

Crash Phone Replacement Project

Terminal Ramp, South GA Ramp, North GA Ramp

Rehabilitation Project

Airfield Electrical Project Rehabilitation

Airline Terminal Accessible Parking Upgrades



Re-paving of Runway 15L/33R.

## Scheduled for a summer 2015 construction start!

The Santa Barbara Airport Lighting Control System consists of lights, signs, cable, isolation transformers, constant current regulators, lighting control computers and monitors, touch screens, and computer laptops. The system has had various components replaced over time with routine maintenance. However, persistent low voltage to ground resistance readings on airfield lighting circuits and a recent failure of a lighting control panel in the main runway circuit R1 necessitated the need for a system wide review which has resulted in the Santa Barbara Airport Lighting Control System Rehabilitation Project scheduled for this coming summer.

## Master Plan Progress

The Santa Barbara Airport is currently in the process of preparing a new Master Plan. This Plan will guide development at the Airport for the next 15-20 years. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) requires airports to update their master plans periodically in order to identify capital improvement needs and manage development responsibly. The Airport Master Plan will strive to balance environmental, fiscal, and aesthetic concerns with the need to stay current with federal safety and security standards.

To assist in this multi-year planning process, the Airport Department has contracted with Coffman Associates, an aviation consulting firm to assist in the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report for the Plan as required under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The purpose of the Environmental Impact Report is to assess the projects in the Airport Master Plan so that City Council and the public can better understand the environmental consequences of development. This report will also allow the Airport to streamline future permitting of Master Plan projects by completing the environmental assessments all at once.

We hope you'll take the time to review our progress and let us know what you think. You can review the Master Plan working papers on the Master Plan website. You can also provide comment on the Master Plan comments page. You may also contact Hazel Johns, Airport Director: [HJohns@SantaBarbaraCA.gov](mailto:HJohns@SantaBarbaraCA.gov) or Andrew Bermond, Airport Planner: [ABermond@SantaBarbaraCA.gov](mailto:ABermond@SantaBarbaraCA.gov) or 805.692.6032.



Future Flyers "Wings of Triumph" trophy winners Jasmine Papias, Anjali Thakrar and Amanda Jo Soderman.

## Education & Community Support

As part of the Airport's outreach program, SBA "adopted" Isla Vista Elementary school 18 years ago. Each year the Airport supplies Friday Folders, donates to their Jog-A-Thon, hosts Teacher Appreciation Day, and takes the 6th grade classes to the Santa Barbara Zoo each May for a graduation party.

For the last 21 years the Santa Barbara Airport has also offered an aviation education program (free of charge) at the Visitor Center on Hartley Place. Schools throughout the district have participated in the Future Flyers program taught by Education Liaison, Tim Lawton. Since that time over 60,000 grade school children have learned the basics about what makes an airplane fly.



Girls Inc. gets a tour of Station 8 during their visit to the Santa Barbara Airport.

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